

ORANGE COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE **BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION**

SA16-250

INTERVIEW REPORT

CASE NAME: MIGUEL SILICEO &

CLASSIFICATION: OFFICER MISCONDUCT

INTERVIEW OF: LISA NEAL, COURT LIAISON OFFICER

FULLERTON POLICE DEPARTMENT

PRESENT: DAVE MELNYK, INVESTIGATOR

ORANGE COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE

DATE AND TIME: 3/24/2016

0954 HOURS

LOCATION: ORANGE COUNTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE

On Thursday, March 24, 2016, at approximately 0954 hours, Orange County District Attorney Investigator DAVE MELNYK and I conducted an audio digital recorded interview of Fullerton Police (FPD) Court Liaison Officer LISA NEAL regarding the officer misconduct allegations related to FPD Officers MIGUEL SILICEO and The following is a summary of the interview.

NEAL said she was providing a free and voluntary statement. No one from her agency ordered her to provide a statement. She did not feel compelled to provide a statement because the District Attorney's office was conducting the investigation.

NEAL related that she handles all discovery requests at Fullerton PD and has been there for almost twenty-nine (29) years. I asked her what her procedure is when she receives a request for body worn camera (BWC) footage. She told me that she follows a check list for all discovery requests. When she gets to the BWC portion of the request she pulls up the call history from dispatch. The call history will show which officers were on scene which she then

Investigator: RICH AYRES

Approved By:

San Berry

Date of Report: 04/18/16

Date: 05/05/2016

SA16-250

matches with the BWC's to make sure every officer on scene has a camera. She then uploads

the BWC footage to a disk then places the date, time and her initials on the disk. She then

sends the discovery items to the requesting person.

I asked NEAL if she remembers the request for BWC's for an incident that occurred on

7/9/15. She was in possession of a copy of the specific discovery request I was referring. She

stated that she handled the request and told us it was her handwriting on the request. She also

related that she keeps an Excel spreadsheet of all the discovery requests she handles as a check

and balance for her personally. In regards to the incident that occurred on 7/9/15, NEAL stated

that she received two discovery requests for BWC's. One on 9/8/15 and another on 9/10/15.

She stated that she filled both requests for the BWC's that were available. NEAL did not

remember if she was able to find BWC footage for Officer SILICEO since she completes so many

requests. She also related that she can locate the BWC for officers by a "GO" number or report

number. If there is no "GO" number she will attempt to find the BWC using a date and time of

the specific incident or by the officers name. She was unaware whether or not she searched for

Officer SILICEO's BWC in this manner.

In November of 2015, there was another discovery request that was sent for Officer

SILICEO's BWC footage. NEAL stated that she was unable to locate BWC footage for Officer

SILICEO. NEAL said that a possible reason she could not locate the BWC footage for Officer

SILICEO was because he "tagged" it incorrectly and it had been automatically deleted. NEAL

denied speaking with Officer SILICEO regarding the absence of his BWC footage for 7/9/15.

NEAL told us that if she was unable to locate an officer's BWC footage she would make a

notation on her Excel spreadsheet and make a notation on the discovery request to the DA that

Investigator: RICH AYRES

Date of Report: 04/18/16

Ayes

Approved By:

Date: 05/05/2016

Stan Berry

SA16-250

nothing was found. She also stated that she sometimes notifies FELECIA WEAVER who is a

paralegal at North Court that she was unable to locate a specific BWC. WEAVER would then

make a notation on her end and notify the DA.

Investigator MELYNIK asked NEAL to check her Excel spreadsheet when she returned to

work and report back as to what notations she made regarding not finding Officer SILICEO's

BWC footage. NEAL agreed to do so. The interview was then concluded at 1011 hours.

On March 24, 2016, I received an e-mail from NEAL. NEAL wrote that she reviewed the

case notes as well as her Excel log and was unable to locate any documentation indicating that

she was unable to find Officer SILICEO's BWC footage.

Investigator: RICH AYRES

Date of Report: 04/18/16

2 Ayers

Approved By:

Date: 05/05/2016

Stan Berry